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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of each of the documents so listed is enclosed.

U.S. Patent No. 6,134,595
U.S. Publication No. 2002/0059361
U.S. Publication No. 2002/0156923
U.S. Publication No. 2002/0118386
Europe 1 011 259
Europe 1 030 507
Japan 9-36999
Japan 10-164093

These documents were cited during prosecution of a European patent application corresponding to the above U.S. application. A copy of the European Search Report dated August 25, 2004 is enclosed.

An English-language abstract for each of the foregoing Japanese documents has been located and is enclosed for the Examiner's consideration. The concise explanation of relevance for the Japanese documents is believed to be satisfied by the English language abstracts. See MPEP § 609.

Please note that the document Japan 2002-285560 listed on the search report was previously cited in the September 1, 2004 Information Disclosure Statement.

Inasmuch as this application has not yet received a first Office Action, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of the Form PTO-1449 and returning the initialed form to Applicants with the next communication.

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